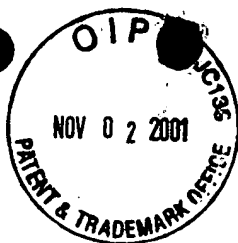


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In re Application of:)
INDRA PRAKASH) Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
Application No.: 09/859,439) Group Art Unit: 1623
Filed: May 18, 2001)
For: SYNTHESIS OF N-[N-(3,3-)
DIMETHYLBUTYL)-L- α -)
ASPARTYL]-L-PHENYLALANINE) :
1-METHYL ESTER USING :
OXAZOLIDINONE DERIVATIVES) November 1, 2001

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English document CN 11748844 is provided in a corresponding English language abstract and in the specification.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Applications:

<u>APPLICATION NO.</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>	<u>GROUP ART UNIT</u>
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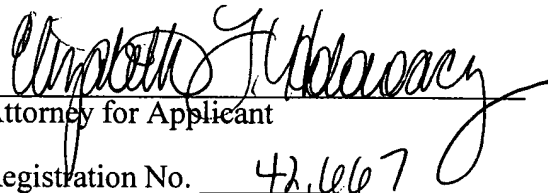
A copy of each cited Application is enclosed.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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